

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Phillip J. Articola on July 28, 2008.

2. The application has been amended as follows:

Regarding claim 1:

Claim 1 adds the objected subject matter of claim 5 to the elements of independent claim 1;

wherein determining the default setting for the second imaging option further comprises determining a correspondence frequency of the second imaging option in the history table most often provided by the user in combination with the set first imaging option, and

wherein updating the default setting for the second imaging option comprises changing the default setting for the second imaging option only if the correspondence frequency is greater than or equal to a predetermined value. ✓

Regarding claim 5:

Claim 5 has been cancelled.

Regarding claim 6:

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Claim 6 is amended to depend from independent claim 1 and the word "*frequency*" should be deleted and replaced with the word "*value*". Thus, claim 6 should read 6... The method of claim 1, wherein the predetermined value is greater than or equal to 50%.

Regarding claim 24:

Claim 24 adds the objected subject matter of claim 5 to the elements of independent claims 24;

wherein determining the default setting for the second imaging option further comprises determining a correspondence frequency of the second imaging option in the history table most often provided by the user in combination with the set first imaging option, and

updating the default setting for the second imaging option by changing the default setting for the second imaging option only if the correspondence frequency is greater than or equal to a predetermined value ✓

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Response to Amendment

3. This office action is responsive to the applicant's remarks received on April 25, 2008. Before this amendment, **claims 1-29** were pending. **Claims 4, 5, 16, 22 & 28** have been cancelled. **Claims 1-3, 6-15, 17-21, 23-27 and 29** have been fully considered and are persuasive.